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Local Matters.

Electric Light Extinguished.

In the Board of Aldermen Tuesday evening Alderman Knell, chairman of the committee on Gas and Lamps, presented the committee's report on the question of introducing electric light in Newport. The report simply recommended that this proposition be submitted to the tax-payers: Shall the City Council be authorized to light the streets and public parks of the city with electric light? No statistics, prices nor other information accompanied the report, and the aldermen very properly declined to put so indefinite a question to the people, who would undoubtedly reject it in that shape. The matter was sent back to the committee.

It appears that the committee saw the lights in operation in Boston. It is calculated that one electric light will take the place of four gas lights, and for the territory covered will give three times the amount of illumination. The expense is about a quarter more than gas. The Fuller Electric Co., of New York, petitioned for permission to erect poles and wires in Newport, for electric lighting, and the petition was referred to the committee on Gas and Lamps. In view of the danger arising from the contract of the electric wires with other wires, City Solicitor Pennington thought it doubtful if the City Council could grant this permission, and called attention to the fact that the General Assembly, has before it a bill requiring all electric lighting wires to be placed under ground. If this act becomes a law, such wires must go under ground, where it seems they belong.

If electric light is safe, reasonable in price, and of superior illuminating power, Newport will not decline it; but the people ask to be assured that these things are so, before voting to introduce it.

Board of Aldermen in Session.

The Board of Aldermen was in special session on Monday and Tuesday morning, to take action regarding the small pox case and sanitary matters generally. The members were unanimously of the opinion that no pains must be spared in guarding against a further spread of the disease. At the latter meeting the bill of David M. Barker, over-seer of small pox, was allowed at the rate of \$3 a day for services, and his future compensation was fixed at that rate. The following persons were drawn as jurors to serve at the coming session of the Supreme Court: Grand—Edw. O. Riga, John R. Hammett, Chas. E. White, Thomas James, Silas H. Hazard, Wm. H. Thurston; petit—Alvin A. Barker, Chas. B. Weaver, John J. Gladding, Geo. W. T. Melville, Henry F. Rooney, Peter McGoon, Jas. E. Mauran, Job Slocum, Bernard McDermott.

Repairing the Highways.

Because of a disagreement between the two boards over the extra amount to be appropriated for streets and highways, the City Council adjourned Tuesday evening without making any appropriation at all. The Aldermen wanted \$3000, and the councilmen, \$5000. The highway appropriation is reduced to \$900, and certain thoroughfares, pre-eminently Bellevue avenue, must be put into proper condition before the season opens. The necessary amount must be appropriated, although the street department has spent a large amount the past year. It had been hoped that all the departments would this year keep within their appropriations, but the highway department proved an exception. It is probable that a special council meeting will be held on Tuesday evening next, to decide on some appropriation for highways.

This Statement Endorsed.

One of the new life-saving stations provided for by Representative Cox's bill ought to be placed on the Rhode Island coast, at Brewster's Point. This is a dangerous spot on our coast, very near the route of the Fall River and New York line of steamers.—Prof. Frost.

If the petition, being universally signed in this city and State, is heeded, the station will be placed as recommended above. It is certainly urgently needed.

Among the members of the class graduated on Tuesday evening from the medical department of the University of New York, we notice F. De F. Bailey, C. F. Barker and F. T. Rogers, of Rhode Island. Mr. Rogers received a prize of \$500 for highest general scholastic standing.

It is stated that Rev. Angelo Canoll will probably not be re-appointed to the pastorate of the First M. E. Church at the coming conference. The city as well as his church will be a loser, for he ranks among the best of Newport's preachers.

Senator Anthony has our thanks for a copy of the Agricultural Report for 1880, just issued.

The first public school was established at Newport, August 20, 1640.

Judge Jas. A. Greene died at his residence on Spring St. at 12 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

What does Newport want of a board of trade?

FUNERAL OF DR. KING.

An Impositing Service at Trinity Church.

The funeral of the late Dr. David King was solemnized yesterday at half past twelve o'clock from Trinity church. The edifice was nearly filled with an audience including Newport's foremost citizens, who thus testified their respect to the memory of an honored townsman. Among the many present were Gov. Chas. C. Van Zandt, Lieut. Gov. Henry H. Fay, Mayor S. P. Slocum, Rev. Dr. Thayer, Col. Francis Brinley, Rev. Chas. T. Brooks, Rev. Dr. Barrows, and Dr. Mathaniel Greene. There were also present others of the Newport Historical Society, Redwood Library and the Society of the Olinthian. The physicians who attended Dr. King—Dr. Wm. H. Brickhead and Dr. J. P. Curley—were also present. The beautiful service of the Episcopal church was rendered with unusual solemnity, by Rev. Mr. Magill, assisted by Rev. Mr. Moran. The selections by the choir were touching and sang. The coffin bore the inscription:

DAVID KING, M. D.

Born May 12, 1812.

Died March 7, 1882.

The only floral offering was a cross of ivy leaves and lilacs of the valley. The funeral cortege was long and imposing. The bearers were Hon. Wm. P. Sheffield, Hon. G. O. H. Calver, Mr. Jas. E. Mauran, Dr. H. R. Storer, Mr. Thos. R. Hunter, Prof. William Gammon, Dr. Henry E. Turner, and Col. William Gilpin.

Dr. David King.

Dr. King was the son of the late Dr. David and Ann Gordon King. His father was a native of Raynham, in Massachusetts, and his mother a daughter of General George Gordon, of the revolution. Dr. King was born in Newport in 1812. He attended the celebrated school of John Fraser, graduated with high distinction from Brown University in the class of A. D. 1831. Dr. King was a classmate in college of Professor Wm. Gammon. He studied medicine at one of the medical schools in Philadelphia. He married Sarah Wheaton, the daughter of the late Rev. Dr. Wheaton, long the rector of Trinity church in Newport, and granddaughter of Bishop Dithome, of South Carolina. After his graduation Dr. King visited Europe, with the view of improving his knowledge in his profession. He was a scholar of rare attainments, courteous and gentlemanly in his manner, a physician of great practical and theoretical knowledge, who at all times maintained his position in the front rank of his profession, and above all, so far as could be discovered by those who knew him best, he kept himself "unsullied from the world." Kind, gentle, and conscientiously faithful in the performance of all his duties in life, his modesty surpassed that of women, and this gave him an appearance of humility, but it was only an appearance, for whenever an occasion arose when it was necessary that he should assert himself, he was as bold as a lion. He was faithful to his friends, kind to the poor and charitable towards everybody. He knew more of Newport than any man who survives him. He was sincerely devoted to the advancement of the interests of the city and its people, and would have written a history of Newport if he had felt confident that he knew every important fact attainable in reference to that history. Dr. King was a very industrious man; when not actively engaged in his profession, he was employed by the large and valuable library he had gathered about him, adding to its eminent qualifications to discharge his professional duties, and when he took a respite from these, as a recreation he was engaged in solving some problem of our local history. He never engaged in small talk or gave attention to trifles, or wasted his time with idlers; he was in all things a real, earnest and true man; he was genial and a most entertaining conversationalist to those who were congenial to him, and the more entertaining because his conversations were always attractive. Thousands of our people will regard his death as a personal loss, and deeply sympathize with the family of which he was the devoted head, in their great affliction.

This loss comes upon us so suddenly, that it unites us to do justice to the memory of this distinguished citizen, but no doubt some of the numerous societies to which he belonged will take adequate measures to prepare a memorial which shall preserve a record of his virtues and do justice to his memory.

Training Ships to Go Abroad.

The Secretary of the Navy has decided to send the training ships Portsmouth and Saratoga for a summer cruise in European waters. They will start from this port early in April and will be absent about five months. The Portsmouth, which is now at the Washington navy yard, has been ordered to join the Saratoga here, the latter part of this month.

Republican Caucus.

At a meeting of the City Committee on Thursday evening it was voted to hold the caucus for the election of six delegates to the State Convention next Thursday at Providence, on Monday evening next at 8 o'clock in the State House. The election will be held at the residence of the City Committee for the ensuing political year.

About Two Thirds the Fence on the Redwood Street Side of the Redwood Library

fell down this week, and has been carried away. The placing of a low granite base fence in front and on the side would greatly improve the appearance of the estate.

The Steamer Old Colony arrived yesterday morning from New York at 7 o'clock, having been detained by the storm. The Newport left here for New York yesterday morning at 7:15, having laid up at Fall River during the night.

Mr. G. Norman Weaver arrived yesterday morning from San Diego, Cal., where he has been engaged in surveying the California division of the Southern Pacific Railroad.

Mr. Theodore M. Davis, who recently purchased a fine tract of land at Castle Hill, proposes to erect there a handsome villa.

The cottage of the late James Grantham will be occupied during the coming season by Dr. B. Grantham and family, of New York.

ANNUAL MEETINGS.

Young Men's Christian Association.

The fifth annual meeting of the association was held on Monday evening. The excellent address of the president, Wm. B. Franklin, showed an attendance of 11,215 at the 52 public meetings held during the year, of 300 at 10 Thursday-evening prayer meetings and of 800 at 36 missionary meetings in the country. The association is in good working condition. The bills to date are paid with a balance in the treasury. The rooms in the Narragansett building have been leased for two years more. It is proposed to engage a general secretary, with special experience in the work, to devote his whole time to this association's work. Officers for the year were elected as follows:

President—Wm. B. Franklin.

Vice Presidents—Edw. D. Jones, Jr., Chas. T. Padlock.

Secretary—Jardine B. Reynolds.

Treasurer—Robert P. Allen.

St. John's Beneficial Association.

At the eighth annual meeting of the St. John's (Masconic) Mutual Beneficial Association on the evening of the 3d inst., the usual reports were received. The trustees' report should that during the year two members, James Fish and Edmund J. Townsend, had died; that the present membership is 165; that the deaths during the 8 years the society has been organized have been 23; that \$4,266 have been paid in benefits; that the permanent fund is \$457. Wm. G. Stevens, Robt. S. Franklin, Wm. H. Davidson and J. J. Underwood were elected trustees to fill vacancies. The trustees organized by electing these officers: President, Joseph Irish; Vice President, Robt. S. Franklin; Treasurer, Lyman R. Blackburn; Secretary, David Stevens.

Thames-street M. E. Sunday School.

At the annual meeting of the Sunday School of the Thames-street M. E. church on Monday evening, the reports showed the school to be flourishing financially and numerically; the membership is 233. The officers elected are:

Superintendent—A. C. Tins.

Ass't Superintendent—Alvin Slocum.

Secretary—Miss Ella V. Gilman.

Treasurer—Miss Estlin V. Littlefield.

Librarian—Chas. H. Soak, Maurice Albino.

Medical Guild of St. Thomas.

At the annual meeting of the Rhode Island Chapter of the Medical Guild of St. Thomas at St. Mary's Rectory on Monday evening, a scholarly address on the value of St. Thomas' doctrines to medical men was given by the chaplain, the Rev. Dr. Green, who is a devoted chemist. The officers for the year are: President—Dr. H. R. Storer; Chaplain—Rev. Philip Grimes; Secretary—Dr. J. P. Curley. The Newport guild was established last September and its members are Catholics and physicians.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

A Dire Calamity Portended.

To the Editor of the Mercury—Sir—Can it be that Newport is to have no polo this coming season? The absence of this most exciting and exciting game would make the season a dreary blank to many. To be deprived of the pleasure of seeing a half dozen or more acrobatically attired gentlemen, from the dangerous height of a polo pony's back, reach perilously down, to tap the shanks of the pony standing next, in the vain effort to strike the contested wooden sphere, would be lamentable. May we be spared this affliction.

VIVA.

Funeral of Capt. Lee.

The funeral of the late Captain Samuel Lee was solemnized on Thursday afternoon from his late residence on Pope street. Despite the severe storm, there was a large gathering of friends and relatives. The services were conducted by the Rev. Henry J. van Dyke, Jr., of the United Congregational church. The remains were escorted from the house to the Island Cemetery by St. John's Lodge No. 1, A. F. & A. M., W. M. Overton G. Langley, preceded by the Newport Band. At the grave the Masonic burial service was conducted by W. M. Langley with Thomas Coggeshall as chaplain. The Masonic brethren were Capt. John W. Downing, Capt. H. B. Ryder, Capt. Samuel Smith, Capt. M. C. Martin, Capt. Stephen C. Gardner, and Hon. Thomas Coggeshall.

Narragansett Ministerial Conference.

The Narragansett Ministerial Conference, held on Tuesday, with Rev. Dr. Barrows, was not largely attended by clergymen, several pastors being detained at their homes but reports were received from nearly all the churches embraced in this conference, and many of these were very encouraging. Among the most favorable was that from Wakefield, where the pastor, W. H. Pendleton, has baptized a large number; also the report from the church at Allenston, under the care of Rev. F. J. Jones, where a very general religious interest has been awakened and about thirty new members received. Sermon briefs were presented by Revs. W. Randolph, F. J. Jones and F. Rector. A sermon from the text, "Thy will be done," was offered by Rev. S. L. Carr, and criticisms were offered by members of the conference. At 2:15 o'clock the subject of pastoral visitation was discussed, and this was followed at 3:15 by an essay on "The Christian Ministry," by Rev. Mr. Rector. A sermon in the evening by Rev. F. G. Wightman, of Tiverton, closed the programme, and the conference adjourned to meet again in April, place of meeting to be determined by the Executive committee.

We understand that Major Bull has died of the Perry House and Opera House property to his sons, Henry Bull, Jr. and Melville Bull, although the deeds are not yet recorded. The management of these two important pieces of property will be taken by them on the return of Mr. Melville Bull from Europe.

Auctioneer Burlingame has an important sale of furniture at Old Fellows Hall on Thursday morning next. The goods to be sold include all the pew cushions and cushions from the old Unitarian church.

The new organ for Emmanuel church from the factory of Hook, Hastings and Co., Boston, is being put up and will be ready for use a week from to-morrow.

CITY COUNCIL.

The March Session Tuesday Evening—Electric Light "Sat Upon."

A lively discussion over the Expenditures of the Highway Department—Many Miscellaneous Matters.

At the monthly session of the City Council on Tuesday evening the members were all present. Finance report No. 9 was received and the following sums were ordered paid from the several appropriations:

Newport Armory	\$ 211 11
Fire Department	5032 86
Paupers and Vagrants	365 27
Streets and Highways	2177 73
" " for Sewers	158 25
Watch and Police	1418 46
Public Schools	626 17
Lighting Streets	1004 87
Salaries	2350 82
Books, Stationery and Printing	253 21
Removal of House Offs	112 50
Due Fund	8 30
Jewish Synagogue Fund	8 00
Incidental	894 86
	\$14,611 21

The committee on Gas and Lamps reported a resolution submitting this proposition to the tax-payers of the city: Shall the City Council be authorized to introduce electric light into the streets and public parks of the city? After discussion the matter was referred to the committee for more investigation. The petition of the Fuller Electric Company, of New York, stating their intention to introduce and operate electric light in Newport, and asking permission to erect poles and wires in the city, was referred to the same committee. The petition of Mrs. Josephine Bedlow, stating "Please put a gas lamp in front of Mrs. Bedlow's front gate on Malbone road," was referred to the same committee.

In accordance with the recommendation of the committee on Fire Department and the Board of Firewards, the sum of \$500 was appropriated for making necessary alterations to the entrance of the house of the Hook & Ladder Co., so that it can be used to advantage for the new truck. The Chief Engineer reported during the quarter 3 alarms and 5 fires; insurance, \$27,400; loss paid, \$10,080; expenditures of the department, \$6216 89.

A resolution was passed ordering upon Congress the necessity of establishing a life-saving station at or off Benton's Reef.

Inspector of Nuisances Langley reported for the quarter 115 nuisances, all abated except three. He asks that traps be placed in the sewer eye-holes at Mary and Division streets, at Thames and Howard, and at Thames and Scott's wharf, where noxious smells are now frequently observed.

Report of Joseph Osborn, Wm. E. Grandall and Robert S. Chase, the committee to further mark the boundary between Newport and Middletown, was received, and Newport's half of the expense was ordered paid.

The Police committee recommend that the committee on City Property be directed to procure plans and estimates for remodeling and rearranging the interior of the Police Station building for police purposes. A resolution in accordance was passed. City Marshal Coudon reported for the past quarter 126 arrests, of whom 107 were males, 55 were foreigners and 75 non-residents; and lodgers, 92.

The quarterly report of the City Treasurer, showing a balance of \$91,389 24, was referred to the Finance committee. The petition that the tax of \$43 68 on the George W. Ellery estate be charged to the estate, was referred to the Finance committee.

An ordinance was passed changing the law so that no person could be arrested on any person, instead of certain persons named in the warrant.

The Overseers of the Poor reported expenditures of \$1049 45 for the quarter.

The council adopted a resolution appointing Alderman Crosby and Councilman Stoddard and Underwood a committee to report on the practicability and expense of owning and keeping, by the city, horses for Fire Department and other general city uses.

The Board of Aldermen granted Alexander N. Barker and Thos. W. Erbesboro permission to connect their premises with the Broadway sewer.

The petition of John J. Carry and others that Everett place from Francis to Kay street be covered with crushed stone, was referred to the Highway committee. The petition of John A. C. Stacy that he may use the stone crusher at Rocky Farm to crush 500 tons of stone and the petition of Samuel R. Honey for permission to use the roller and stone crusher for macadamizing Commercial wharf, were referred to the same committee with power to act. The petition of Philip Rider and others that the crosswalk on Mill street opposite the old Unitarian church be moved further up the street, was referred to the Highway committee with power to act. The petition of Theo. M. Davis, for a better street boundary from the city of his recent purchase on the Ocean Drive at Castle Hill, was referred to the Highway committee with power to act under the advice of the City Solicitor. The petition of G. M. Tooker for a crosswalk from Kay street to letter box on Tonn street was referred to the same committee. This committee was directed to advertise for proposals for watering Bellevue avenue and Bath road.

The Highway committee recommended an additional appropriation of \$6000, for repairs on macadamized streets which should be made ready for the season. A resolution making this appropriation of \$6000 was passed by the Common Council by a vote of 7 to 3. Messrs. Stoddard, Peckham and Lawton voting nay. The Board of Aldermen fixed the sum at \$3000; the Common Council offered a compromise at \$5000. A committee of Conference—Aldermen Langley and Councilmen Peckham and Waters—failed to agree, and the streets must get along without any more money for the present.

It is related of the late Capt. Samuel Lee that when he was undergoing an examination for a position in the Navy at the opening of the Rebellion, after the naval board had finished their interrogatories concerning his knowledge of navigation, he said: "Now just you have got done, allow me to ask you a few questions." They assented, and he at once completely "roared" the naval gentlemen with a few of the tough navigation problems with which he was so thoroughly acquainted.

RECORD OF DEATHS.

Dr. David King.

In the death of Dr. David King on Tuesday afternoon, Newport lost a citizen who has done her honor as physician, scholar, antiquarian and man. Death came to him suddenly, though he has been ill for some time. Dr. King was born in this city at the old family house on Pelham street in 1812. His father, a native of Raynham, Mass., came to Newport in 1800, and soon established a high reputation as a physician. His wife was a daughter of Gen. George Gordon, of revolutionary fame. Soon after taking his medical degree in 1834, he married Miss Sarah G. Wheaton, daughter of Rev. Balmou Wheaton, then rector of Trinity church. His widow, two sons and four daughters survive him. His sons are Wm. Henry and David, Jr. One daughter, Sarah, married Dr. Wm. H. Rinkhead, and another, Mr. Pomeroy, of New York. Of Dr. King's brothers, George G. and Edward are deceased, and Wm. H. alone survives.

Dr. King's early education was entrusted to Hon. Joseph Jelliff, of this city, who succeeded John Fraser as teacher in the old school house on Church street, long since removed. On the site Mr. A. G. Greene's residence now stands. Dr. King was graduated from Brown University in 1831, taking as his brother, the late Hon. George G. King, had done before, from the Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia in 1834, and soon entered upon the practice of his profession in Newport, succeeding to the practice of his father, who died about the time of his graduation. Dr. King rose rapidly in his profession, and has ranked for many years as one of the most distinguished physicians of Rhode Island. He was a careful practitioner, very learned in his profession, and endowed with a fine judgment. He served two years as President of the Rhode Island Medical Society, and was a censor of the society at the time of his death. Dr. King was a man of culture and was possessed of a refined and intense love of literature. His historical and antiquarian researches especially attracted him, and the vast accumulation of Newport and Rhode Island historical remains he made, shows how large a place this work filled in his life. His library is one of the finest and rarest in the State. Very largely through his instrumentality the Newport Historical Society was organized and incorporated. He became its president, and from year to year was re-elected to the time of his death. He was also member of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Dr. King always was a warm friend and supporter of Redwood Library, and aided largely in selecting many of its most valued treasures. He was president of the board of corporators for many years, and was still one of the board of directors.

Dr. King was devoted to the welfare of Newport, and sought in every way to promote its interests. As a physician he took great interest in the improvement of the city's sanitary matters and the continuance of the city's healthfulness. Upon the organization of the State Board of Health two or three years ago he was appointed a member and was chosen its president. He was also a member of the Sanitary Protection Society. Dr. King spent several months abroad about a year ago, and interested himself in England in examining the sanitary regulations of several cities. He was a member of the Society of the Olinthian. He was a former president of the Island Cemetery, and always took a great interest in its management.

Dr. King was in his religious life, an Episcopalian, and worshipped in Trinity church. He was an able physician, a courteous gentleman, a charitable, self-sacrificing and judicious citizen, and a devoted Christian.

General Z. C. Deas.

Gen. Zachariah C. Deas, who last year occupied the Murdoch cottage, died very suddenly in New York on Monday, of apoplexy. A handsome summer residence was in process of erection for him on the site on Easton's Point which he bought last season, and his unexpected death causes deep regret to his many friends in Newport. Gen. Deas was born in Camden, S. C., May 10, 1819, being descended from the French Huguenots who settled in that State about 1750. He was educated at Candover, France, and on his return to America began business as a cotton broker, in Mobile, whither his family had removed. On the breaking out of the Rebellion, he entered the Confederate army. He played an important part in the Battle of Bull Run, by his timely arrival with two brigades, of fresh troops, who turned the scale of victory. He was promoted to colonel, and organized and equipped at his own expense the 22d Alabama regiment. He took part in many important battles, and at the battle of Shiloh, where he was badly wounded, for bravery was promoted to brigadier general, and for similar service at Chickamauga was advanced to major general. At the close of the war Gen. Deas asked and was granted amnesty, saying to his friends, "I am going North to shake hands with the people I have been fighting." He engaged in business as a broker in New York, retiring a year or two ago. It is a noticeable fact that he was made a member of the Union League Club, that staunchest of Union organizations. Gen. Deas' wife, Helen, a daughter of F. S. Lyon, of Demopolis, Ala., survives him.

Captain Samuel Lee.

Captain Samuel Lee died on Tuesday afternoon at his home on Pope street in the 70th year of his age. He was a native of Newport, and was born March 31, 1812. He was the son of Samuel and Sarah (Jouves) Lee. Of 10 children three survive—Thomas J., Peter J., and one daughter. He early developed a taste for sea facing life, and began in the merchant service. He rose rapidly, and acquired a thorough knowledge of navigation. He commanded the whaler ship William Lee, of this port, on a cruise to the Pacific from March, 1848, to November, 1851, and then the whaling bark Franklin, 24, of New Bedford, from June, 1853, to July, 1857. Afterwards he was engaged for a number of years in the East India trade, sailing from Salem, Mass. He was one of the three State Commissioners of Pilots for some ten years, resigning this office only a few days before his death. He was thoroughly educated in the science of navigation, and

CITY BRIEFS.

Jottings of Newport and Newporters.

Mr. D. J. Lambert's condition is improving. School Committee meeting next Monday evening. It costs \$1,645 64 to remove the snow from the streets during February.

Mr. Alfred Barker, of this city, went to Brooklyn this week for a two months' stay. Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Briggs, of Taunton, left this week for a month's trip to Florida. There has been no other case of small pox reported this week besides Nicholas Gladding's.

The elm tree nearest the lower extremity of the Mall has been cut down, as it was nearly dead. The Island Cemetery Company holds its annual meeting at the State House on Monday evening.

Slocum & Black are making some very desirable improvements to their market at 141 Thames street.

Mr. Jas. H. Barney has taken possession of the cottage on Howard avenue just completed by Wm. M. Austin.

Bernard McDermott, who was drawn a jurymen on Monday, is charged by his daughter with beating his wife.

The Martha Washington Temperance Society held a supper and sale in the Sons of Temperance Hall on Tuesday afternoon next. Mr. J. E. Chamberlain, late editor of the Daily News, this city, began his duties as editor of the Fall River Daily Herald on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Carr, of this city, and Mrs. T. A. Richardson, of Providence, will place in the First M. E. church a memorial window of Peter P. Remington.

Mr. Fred. M. Hammett, a graduate of Brown University, class of 1880, and son of Mr. Jas. H. Hammett, began his duties on Monday as assistant editor of the News.

Because of his untiring zeal in advocating the introduction of electric light in Newport, Councilman Arnold L. Burdick among his friends goes by the title of "The Electric Spark."

Dr. J. Jay Villiers, who disgusted a Newport audience three or four years ago, is still alive. His "humorous lectures" at Western the other evening, we notice, was "sparkingly attended."

Among our summer residents who have been in town this week are Samuel F. Barker, Augustus Jay, John R. Caswell, Mrs. Dr. Peters, Mrs. E. T. Snelling, of New York and Hugh T. Dickey, Jr., of Chicago.

Treasurer Westcott, of the Opera House, had a routing benefit Tuesday evening. Joseph Murphy and the "Kerry Gow" drew a \$700 house, and standing room was in demand.

An "Old Folks Concerts and supper will be given by ye choir and Ladies' Aid Society of ye Union Congregational church, assisted by others, on Tuesday evening, March 14, A. D. 1882, in ye Old Fellows Hall, standing on Washington Square. Ye programme will be varied with readings."

We call attention to the notice, in another column, published by Charles E. Lawton Post, Grand Army of the Republic. The pleasing announcement is made that the accounts of Mr. Wm. H. Darfee, late quartermaster of the post, have been examined, the amount due the post from him has been paid over and a receipt returned to Mr. Darfee.

Real Estate Transfers.

The handsome villa "Harbor View" on Halibidon Hill, belonging to the estate of the late B. Whitney Phoenix, of New York, has been sold to F. O. French, of New York, for \$60,000.

Arnold L. Burdick has sold to William H. Flodder for \$3275 his lot on Cottage Place. Henry D. DeBlou has sold to Jas. Groves and Dennis W. Sheehan for \$5000 the estate bounded southerly on Levin street 60 feet and easterly on land of John Ebert 50 feet.

Augustus P. Sherman, trustee under the will of the late George Sherman, has sold to Thomas H. Burdick for \$800 a lot of land bounded southerly on Green Lane and containing 4771 square feet.

Alfred Smith and the devisees of the late J. I. Bailey have sold to Geo. C. Mason for \$6134 66 a lot of land bounded westerly on Rhode Island avenue 64 feet, northerly on Francis street 21 1/2 feet, easterly on Redwood avenue 70 feet and southerly on land of Hamilton Hopkin 21 1/2 feet and containing 14,434 feet.

Army and Navy Notes.

The Army and Navy Club in New York has surrendered its clubhouse. Chief Engineer John H. Long, of the navy, died in New York the 3d inst., aged 53 years.

The gunboat Tallapoosa left the Navy Yard, Washington, Wednesday morning for Newport.

Major Lorenzo Loral, First Artillery, U. S. A., died in Baltimore Monday morning of Bright's disease. His remains will be taken to West Point for burial.

The frigate Jamestown left Vallejo, Cal., the 2d inst., on her way to join the training squadron off Coaster's Harbor Island. The voyage will take about four months.

Lieut. D. A. Fiske, U. S. Navy, and Mrs. Fiske nee Harper, have arrived here from their wedding tour, and are at Mrs. Ives', on Brinley street. Mr. Fiske is attached to the training squadron.</

His Ignorance Cost Me \$150.00.
I was sick about for three months. The doctor I had Prescribed Uteri, which was nature. didn't try to cure me but wanted to make a every day. My uncle is a druggist and told me to turn the doctor off and try his Bitters. I did so and 8-dollar worth sulphur Bitters cured me of great weakness and debility. —Mrs. S. —, New Haven.

NEWPORT COUNTY NEWS.

MIDDLETOWN.—The Republican caucus of the town of Middletown are requested to meet in the Town Hall on Monday, March 15th, at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Convention at Providence on the 15th inst., to nominate candidates for general officers.

WILLIAM PROKHAM,
Chairman Town Committee.

BLOCK ISLAND.

SAND.—The sand of Block Island is the black sand. This article is found in large quantities upon a stretch of beach lying along the northeast side of the island. Formerly before blotting paper came into general use, it was gathered and shipped to quite an extent as blotting sand. Some sixteen years ago an enterprising person procured from the town a perpetual lease of this beach for mining purposes, and agreed to pay therefor an annual rental of \$16. This lease passed finally into the hands of a gentleman named McCotter, who has had large experience in mining matters in the far west. Within a year this gentleman has commenced to mine the sand upon an extensive scale, has erected dry-houses, store-houses, scows and separators, and has already shipped four large cargoes to New York. A fifth large schooner is now in the breakwater basin prepared to take on board several hundred tons which is ready for shipment. This sand is said to be of an excellent quality and unlike other deposits along the shore of Long Island and Connecticut and Rhode Island. An analysis of it made in Philadelphia three years ago from a sample scraped up carelessly upon the beach gave 67 per cent. magnetic iron of pure quality. It is this magnetic iron which McCotter obtains by separation, and is sold and used as he avers for the manufacture of steel, and produces, as he furthermore says, a steel of superior quality. Mr. McCotter has not found his path smooth and easy since he made Block Island the field of his operations. First he was denied the privilege of carting his sand along what he and others claimed and supposed to be a highway. It was here and because of this that he was assaulted some months ago. Later the bathing houses upon the beach proved an obstruction and hindrance to his work, and Mr. McCotter has sought to procure their removal. Wm. Card, the owner and proprietor of these bathing houses, claims the right to retain them where they are, he having a lease of the beach for bathing purposes; so McCotter's lease for mining purposes, and Card's lease for bathing purposes, assume belligerent attitudes, and at the town meeting, Tuesday, the cases of D. G. McCotter and Mr. Card were continued to the next Council meeting.

TEMPERANCE.—J. N. Todd, representative of Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Good Templars, paid an official visit to Tuckahoe Lodge of Good Templars No. 18, on Tuesday evening, the 7th, to exemplify the work and to confer the degrees of Fidelity and Charity. He speaks in a very complimentary manner of the appearance and working of the lodge.

Major McClellan, Inspector of Life Saving Stations in this district, arrived at the island Tuesday. NINEVICK.

TIVERTON.

TOWN COUNCIL.—At Monday's session of the Town Council bills amounting to \$345.16 were ordered paid. These included \$340.61 for clearing off snow. The matter of the Quaker highway was continued to the next regular meeting. A reward of \$300 was offered for the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons who set fire to the school house in district number five on or about the sixth day of January. In relation to the Fogland beach highway, the petitioners, at their request, have leave to withdraw. The following persons were drawn jurors to the March Term of the Supreme Court at Newport: Eli A. Hammond, Geo. W. Hambley, Grand; Peleg S. Stafford, David W. Simmons, Joseph V. Bonken, Petit. Mrs. Annie M. Bowen, the petitioner regarding the depot road, was given leave to withdraw. Dr. Edward P. Robinson was engaged as Town Vaccinator for the ensuing year, in accordance with his bid. George N. Duffee, Andrew H. Manchester and Asa Howland were appointed appraisers of the Town Farm. Lyman F. Westgate was appointed Keeper at the Town Asylum at \$385 for the year.

The will of Mark Robinson was presented, and ordered recorded. Joseph Osborn was appointed custodian of the estate of John B. Manchester: bond \$10,000, with satisfactory securities. Notice was ordered on the appointment of Abbie Bateman, administratrix on the estate of William Pitt Bateman. The appointment of the guardian of Rezia Cook was continued for one month. Notice was ordered on the final account of Mrs. Elizabeth Sawyer, guardian of Andrew Sawyer. Annual accounts of George F. Nicholson, guardian, was ordered allowed, and permission was given to invest the money in Massachusetts.

Notice was ordered on the will of Joseph Tripp. The appointment of an administrator on the estate of Emma Sanford was continued for one month. The final account of Abraham Manchester, executor of the will of George E. Sanford, was allowed. Allen East was appointed custodian of the estate of William Sanford: bond \$3000. Clark Essex and Abraham Manchester were appointed appraisers of the estate of Leonard Manchester by the administrator, was ordered recorded. The commission on the estate of Thomas Latta was ordered recorded. Notice was ordered on the sale of Thomas Latta's estate. The annual account of Mary E. Foster, guardian of William F. Foster, and the inventory of the estate of Edward W. Lewis and final account of Edward and William F. Robinson, administrators of the estate of Andrew Robinson, were allowed.

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A MYSTERY SOLVED.—James Linnehan, employed by Cyrus Bliss at "Niverton Four Corners," left his home in Fall River some six weeks ago, to return to his work, but was not heard of from that time, until he was found dead on the 2nd inst., in a field known as Tally Orchard, on the Shocum farm, near the Fish road, by Dennis H. Grinnell, one of a searching party. Linnehan was lying face down by the side of a stone wall about 80 rods from the road, from which he had wandered, and the body had been mutilated by wild animals. The coroner's jury—John E. Manchester, Gardner Hambley, Joseph Hambley, Geo. W. Fish, Henry Fish and three Tripp—rendered a verdict that Linnehan came to his death from exposure and cold.

PORTSMOUTH.

REAL ESTATE SALE.—Mr. Raymond F. Bonolis of Fall River, has sold a tract of land situated on Sprague's lane, containing about three quarters of an acre, to Mr. Alfred Stearns for \$75.

JAMESTOWN.

JURORS.—Wm. A. Champin has been drawn a grand juror and Thomas Watson Carr a petit juror, for the March term of the Supreme Court.

LITTLE COMPTON.

OBITUARY.—Gen. Nathaniel Church, for many years a leading citizen of Little Compton, died Monday, aged eighty years. He has represented his town in both branches of the General Assembly and commanded for some time the First Brigade of the Rhode Island Militia. He was a lineal descendant of Col. Benjamin Church, the noted Indian fighter of early New England.

NEW ENGLAND ITEMS.

RHODE ISLAND.
Capt. Jesse Mott will be the commander of the new steamer Rhode Island.

The life of Gen. Burnside, which Major Ben. Perley Poore has been writing, is completed.

Mrs. Hannah Sweetland, of Cumberland, had a pleasant centennial celebration Monday.

James Thornton, an old resident of Smithfield, hanged himself in a barn near Georgetown, Sunday morning.

Benjamin M. Hubbard, a Providence broker, died suddenly of heart disease, Sunday evening, while attending service at the Broadway Methodist Church.

A petition for the establishment of a fog signal at the lighthouse on Warwick Neck is receiving numerous signatures. The fog bell would be a valuable aid to the navigation of the Bay.

Edward A. Berry, a freight conductor on the Providence, Warren and Bristol railroad, was run over by a train on that road, near Wilkesbarre pier, Providence, on Saturday, and badly injured.

Pawtucket, the largest town in the country, held a protracted tax-payers town-meeting Monday, made appropriations amounting to \$303,750, and voted a tax of \$1.33 1-3 on each \$100 of the valuation.

The General Assembly.

In the House a bill authorizing the appointment of an Inspector of dams and reservoirs at a salary of \$1000, is before the Judiciary committee. A bill appropriating \$10,000 for completing and furnishing the Reform School building at Cranston, has been referred to the Finance committee. The Joint Select Committee, on the part of the House, on Woman Suffrage, comprises Messrs. Barrington, of Barrington, Boasworth, of Warren, Lee, of Pawtucket, Chafee, of East Providence, and Arnold, of Woonsocket. A resolution has been passed in the House appropriating \$300 to each of the five agricultural societies in the State. There was no quorum in either House Monday.

On Tuesday the Senate passed an act increasing the capital stock of the Providence Telephone Co. from \$100,000 to \$200,000. In the House an act providing penalties for selling adulterated milk was referred to the Judiciary committee. Mr. Barrington reported back from the committee on Education, with a slight amendment. The Senate act providing for the election of school superintendents in the various towns by the school committees. It was made the special order for yesterday immediately after the reading of the records. The House passed a bill making the receiver and giver of a bribe for a vote at any election equally culpable. The act provides very stringent regulations against bribery.

In the Senate, Wednesday, the petition of S. Gilman Brown to build a wharf in Tiverton was referred to the Judiciary committee. An amendment by Senator Doyle to the agricultural fair appropriation bill, instructing the Finance committee to report whether it is expedient that the whole amount be paid the one day each year was adopted. The House defeated by a vote of 31 to 10 the bill giving guardians power to give a bill of sale with a mortgage.

On Thursday the Senate passed a bill providing that the salaries of superintendents of schools shall be paid by the several towns. It was not regarding the manner in which votes can be introduced into any town or city was passed. The Sheffield act for punishing delinquency in elections was continued from the House and indefinitely postponed. The House passed a bill providing for the appointment of a commissioner of lands and forests.

In the Chamber-street M. E. church in Pawtucket a consultation was organized and received with full membership.

New Advertisements.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 7th, 1892.
Upon which date, such as are not previously disposed of, will be sold at
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To the highest bidder. Sale will take place at our "ELMWOOD" STABLE, RAIN OR SHINE.
Commencing at 10:30 o'clock, A. M., and continuing until the entire lot is disposed of.
D. F. LONGSTREET, Treasurer.
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Old Folks' Concert & Supper
By the Choir and Ladies' Aid Society of the Union Congregational Church,
ODD FELLOWS' HALL,
TUESDAY EVENING, March 14.
Concert will begin at 8 o'clock. Tickets 25c.

Notice.
THE Martha Washington Temperance Society, Central and South Division, will hold their Annual Supper and Sale in the Hall of the Sons of Temperance, 21 Spring street, Tuesday, 11th inst. If not, the next day. Open at 6 o'clock. Admission free.

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